

## COUNCIL TO PASS ON ELECTRIC BIDS

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## WORK TO UNITE CITIES

Bridge and Consolidation Questions Likely to Be Considered Together.

No answer having as yet been made by Engineer Trafford, it is not probable that the Council Committee on Electricity will have ready for the meeting of the Common Council to-night, any recommendation as to the award of contract for the municipal electric plant. The committee has heard statements from engineers for the Westinghouse and other unsuccessful bidders, and an answering statement from representatives of the General Electric Company. Engineer Trafford, who is regarded as the committee's adviser, was then asked to prepare and submit in writing an opinion on the various points raised, which would serve to guide the committee in its determination.

Under the ruling of the City Attorney the committee, in its report to the Council, can only recommend that the award to the General Electric Company stand, notwithstanding the veto of the Mayor, which would take two-thirds vote, or else recommend that the Mayor be sustained, which

which would have the effect of throwing all bids out of consideration, and the committee would be in a position without further instructions to call for new offers.

The bid of the Allis-Chalmers Company, which was lost or abstracted from the strong box, of the committee

clerk, is valueless under this ruling, except as a matter of record, as unless new bids are called for all offers save the General Electric Company's proposition, originally recommended, are now out of the running.

Neither is the Committee on Street Cleaning, which has under consideration a number of offers for the erec-

tion of a new incinerator, ready to report, a subcommittee being now in the North inspecting plants in operation, and the members will not be back in time for the Council meeting to-night.

City Engineer Bolling is at work on plans and drawings for a new sewer system, and authority may be given to the Committee on Streets to-night to call for bids on certain parts of this work.

To-morrow night the relations of this city with Manchester will come up in two forms, the joint committee on replacing the Free Bridge being called, as have special committees from the two cities on consolidation. It is ex-

pected that the Bridge Committee will recommend to the two Councils that it be discharged, and all matters pertaining to the bridge be committed to the Committee on Consolidation.

It is not expected that further steps will be taken toward a union of the

cities to-night, beyond a general mapping out of a plan of procedure. The Richmond committee will in all probability ask the Manchester body to submit a schedule of terms for the consolidation, which the Richmonders may then be expected to modify.

then take in hand and modify or enlarge. A number of members of the Council have said that they would support any reasonable consolidation ordinance, but would not vote for a measure which burdens Richmond with a heavy debt for expenditures, the sole

benefit of which will be derived in Manchester. Even among members of the committee, there are those who say that unless the Manchester committee is moderate in its requests, they will recommend that the whole mat-

**GAVE FINE RECITAL**

Mrs. Brockenhrough's Class Ends Successful Year's Work.

The final musical and commencement exercises of Mrs. Smith Brockenbrough's class was held last Friday evening at her studio, 111 East Cary Street.

Mrs. Brockenbrough is a sister of John Powell, one of Richmond's most promising pianists, and under whose

lutlage Mr. Powell secured the ground work which unally attracted the attention of Leschetizky, under whose teaching Mr. Powell made such phenomenal progress.

special mention is particularly due Miss Louise Camp, who completed the course, and was presented with a diploma by Dr. William S. Gordon. The following program was rendered.

plano, Miss Charlotte Jones, Miss Catherine Gordon; second piano, Miss Catherine Stratton, Miss Elizabeth Brockenbrough.

Duet, "Pas Redouble," Miss Idelle Bratton, Miss Alice Angel.

Solo, "Under the Lindens," Miss Dorothy Smith.

Duet, "The School Flag," Miss Nancy Wright, Miss May Mercer.  
Trio, "Bloom and Blossom" (waltz), Miss Mary Harris, Miss Sarah Oppenheimer, Miss Agnes Zimmermann.  
Duet, "Festival March," Miss Cornelia Harris, Miss Virginia Nelson.  
Solo, "Adagio, A. Sugerato," Miss

Catherine Rhoads.  
Duet, "Serenade," Miss Elsie Hilton.  
Miss Charlotte Branner.  
Delivery of diploma, by Dr. Wm. S. Gordon.  
Duet, "King of the Carnival," Miss  
Maude Ainslie, Miss Mary N. Ainslie.

Solo, "Impromptu" (op. 90), Mr. Harry Van Landingham.  
Duo, "Gavotte"; first piano, Miss Ellen Smith; second piano, Miss De Graffenreid Robertson.  
Solo, "Rondo Capriccioso," Miss Martha Blair.  
Solo, (a) "Butterflies," (b) "Soaring,"

Miss Jane Cushman.  
Duo, "Capriccio Brillant"; first  
piano, Miss Louise Camp; second piano,  
Mr. Harry Van Landingham.

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**DRUNK OR DOPED**

**Aged White Woman of Respectable Appearance Turned Over to Ambulance.**  
Reeling up Broad Street, near Fourth, a white woman of very respectable appearance, was seen by an officer yesterday afternoon, and detained for arrest on the charge of drunkenness.

But before the arrival of the patrol automobile, the ambulance, which was nearby at the time, was summoned, and the woman was examined by the surgeon in charge. Though she appeared to be under the influence of some narcotic or whiskey, it was not quite certain the physician took

her in his care. She was unable to talk coherently, and her lips quivered in a vain endeavor to explain. She was seated in a doorway until the ambulance arrived, and was then driven home. She was neat and well clothed, and seemed to be a woman of em-

ment respectability.